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SUBJECT: UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS
EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION
(UNESCO) FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1977-1978 BIENNIUM

1. THE DEPARTMENT HAS RECEIVED A NOTE DATED DECEMBER 30, 1976 ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FROM THE COMPTROLLER OF UNESCO (REF. BOC/1-82) INFORMING THE UNITED STATES OF ITS FINANCIAL OBLIGATION TO THE ORGANIZATION. ATTACHED TO THE NOTE IS A CALCULATION OF THE AMOUNTS DUE FROM THE UNITED STATES.

2. THE MISSION IS REQUESTED TO INFORM UNESCO THAT:

A. THE ATTACHMENT SHOWS THAT THE UNITED STATES OWES A TOTAL OF DOLLARS 96,790,039 CONSISTING OF DOLLARS
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40,515,039 FOR THE 1975-76 BIENNIUM; DOLLARS 29,237,500 (INCLUDING A DOLLARS 2,200,000 ADVANCE TO THE WORKING CAPITAL FUND) FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1977; AND, ASSUMING THERE IS NO CHANGE IN THE UN ASSESSMENT SCALE FOR CY 1978, DOLLARS 27,037,500 FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 1978.

B. THE FISCAL YEAR 1978 BUDGET ESTIMATES OF THE PRESIDENT

OF THE UNITED STATES INCLUDE THE NECESSARY AMOUNT FOR THE PURPOSE OF MAKING PAYMENT OF THE UNITED STATES CONTRIBUTIONS AS LISTED IN THE NOTE FROM THE COMPTROLLER DATED DECEMBER 30, 1976.

C. CONTINGENT UPON FAVORABLE ACTION BY THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS ON THE APPROPRIATION REQUEST, PAYMENT OF THE UNITED STATES 1975-76 OBLIGATIONS WILL BE MADE SHORTLY AFTER THE APPROPRIATION IS ENACTED. THE CALENDAR YEAR 1977 AND 1978 OBLIGATIONS WILL BE MET ON A QUARTERLY BASIS AGAIN STARTING SHORTLY AFTER THE FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE.

3. YOU SHOULD ALSO INFORM THE SECRETARIAT INFORMALLY THAT THE U.S. WAS SURPRISED TO NOTE THAT THE CALENDAR YEAR 1975-76 BIENNIAL SUPPLEMENTAL WAS LISTED AS A PRIOR YEAR BALANCE DUE DESPITE THE FACT THAT BILLINGS WERE NOT RECEIVED BY MEMBER STATES UNTIL JANUARY, 1977. IT WOULD SEEM TO HAVE BEEN MORE APPROPRIATE TO BILL SUCH AMOUNTS AS PART OF THE 1977-1978 BIENNIAL BILLING.

4. ACTION REQUESTED.

A. NOTIFY UNESCO AS AUTHORIZED IN PARA 2.

B. PROVIDE THE DEPARTMENT (IO/EX) WITH A COPY OF THE COMMUNICATION SENT TO UNESCO.

C. REPORT UNESCO REACTION TO PARA 3.

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